## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of : S. Six, et al. Art Unit: 1616

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## REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the January 24, 2006 Office Action issued in the above-identified application. In that Office Action, a three-month shortened statutory period was set for response. Applicant hereby petitions for the necessary three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to respond to that action and note that the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) in connection with this extension of time will be paid during electronic filing via the Revenue Accounting and Management System. If it is determined that any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are due in connection with this Reply, authorization to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2955 will be provided during electronic filing.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.